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1. The organization of the German Economic Commission (DWK) is as follows:

President Rau

82 4M/c
Personnel

Sequestration

Secretariat

I	II	III	IV	V
Planning	Industry	Raw Materials & Transport	Agriculture	Finance
Statistics	Coal Energy Metallurgy Machinery & Elec. Ind. Chemistry Light Ind.	Rationing Trade & Supply Inter- zonal & For- eign Tr. Transport	Agriculture & Forestry Labor & Welfare Resettlers Communi- cations	Finance Banking

2. Fritz Selbmann is one of Rau's deputies and is in charge of the Industry Group. At present Selbmann is drawing up a list of some 300 of the most important factories of the Russian zone which produce about 30% of total Russian zone production. These factories are for the most part state owned. They are now to be withdrawn from the supervision of the various states and grouped together in a supertrust. The latter will set up production programs, assign materials and supervise financial and personnel administrations. Plans call for the creation of a separate department in the DWK to administer this program; the subsections would, however, be subordinated to the existing

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departments of the Industry Group. Selbmann has gone ahead with this program on oral instructions from Koval. Written SMA approval has been withheld pending revision of the list of 300. The SMA also desires strict demarcation between state administration and economic supervision.

3. According to the chief of personnel of the Central Administration of Industry, the decision as to dismissal or retention of personnel during the conversion to DWK was made by SED on the basis of the following directive without approval of SMA:

The following are to be discharged

- A. Active members of the SPD.
 - B. Persons who oppose socialism or Russia or who support the western allies.
 - C. Persons who make a generally unreliable impression or who are inclined to be talkative.
 - D. SED members who fail in party discipline.
 - E. Persons who have mistreated subordinates.
4. Rau announced on 30 March that the DVIA was incorporated into the DWK in Group III under Handke. The actual conduct of import and export is reportedly to be vested in an Export-Import GmbH under a certain Schmitz from the state government of Mecklenburg.
5. A CDU source reports that the Prof. Reinboth now suggested for the job as head of the transport department is a personal discovery of Rau's. The CDU is trying to get this job for the Thuringian transport minister, Bachem. It is alleged that everyone concerned except the Reichsbahn, would prefer Bachem to Reinboth, who is a railway specialist.
6. The DWK has special instructions to combat "economic crimes". For this purpose "police cells" are to be formed in each factory and each administration to spy on everyone. The "police cells" are to work in close cooperation with the "people's control". A new law is being drafted to allow for severe punishment of all "economic crimes".

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Comment: Der Tag, Berlin CDU paper, reports 10 April that Professor Hans Reinruber of the Dresden University will assume the position of chief of the transport department during the week 11-17 April. Der Tag adds that the important position of deputy in charge of personnel policy is held by Otto Kühne, SED. According to the same paper, the railway administration under Besener has been detached from the transport department and is now located in Voss Strasse.

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